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INSANITY AND MURDER.

If the plea of insanity, as a defense for murder, were judged by the principles of judicial decisions, it would not be an open door for juries to send man-slayers out into the world. According to the law as thus defined, insanity of itself is no ground for acquittal. The question is whether at the time the assassin was responsible.

Upon this true law ground, Guiteau's statement shows that he was responsible. He had before written a paper for the public, giving reasons why he killed the president, and these reasons were that it would bring in a new appointing power. He shows that he knew that the immediate consequence to himself might be personal injury by his preparations to escape. He showed that he knew the legal consequences of his crime. The paper which he prepared as an address to the court shows that he knew the nature, consequences, and legal penalty of what he did. And the object of the law's penalty for murderers is not to save them nor reform them, but to destroy them for justice, for the safety of society from them, and as a warning to others.

But in the plea of insanity the trial is in general made a farce. The play is familiar and has broken down respect for courts, and made this defense a by-word. Witnesses are called on to testify that some person, akin to the murderer had been insane—his uncle, or aunt, or cousin; physicians to testify if some disease which he has had—the consequence of vice—does not some times cause insanity; witness to testify if he ever did anything strange; physicians to testify as alleged experts whether, if a person should do this and thus and thus, they would call him insane.

All this is upon the theory that it can be shown that there is any chance for an insane man in the blood, or if the person was ever known to be queer, or if by any possibility he could be insane, then the conclusion must be that he was insane when he did the killing. But all this is wide of the law, and makes the court a protection for murder. In all this the alleged medical experts are guilty of the most arrant quackery. In this way juries are impressed with the delusion that insanity, kindred, former disease, former crooked conduct, show that the man-slayer might possibly have been insane when he killed, they are to assume that he was, and to acquit him.

The answer may be made that although Guiteau that he was doing a crime in law, and knew the penalty and other consequences, yet he says God inspired him to do it, and this proves him insane and irresponsible. All that stuff may be shoved out of the case. No murderer would be convicted if he could plead God's inspiration as a defense. Guiteau puts his inspiration by "the Deity" in the background of all his statement of the political consequences which he was going to accomplish by bringing in a new president, and he shows that he expected that those who were to be elevated by his act would take care of him. All of his making of "the Deity" in the matter is awkward, and lacks the air of halucination. This, like his performance at the trial has the manner of a flaking crazy. All of his talk of "the Deity" shows that he knew all the consequences of what he premeditated and did.

Under the wise and economical management of Secretary Windom, it cost the government only \$10,000 to refund nearly six hundred million bonds, and over two-thirds of this amount was paid for the labor of printing the new bonds, and the expensive paper upon which they are printed. Mr. Windom's career as secretary of the treasury was brief but brilliant.

In Berlin the wholesale vegetable dealers have engaged in a speculation untaken of even in America. They have made ready to corner the sauerkraut market, according to the New York Standard. A Sauer-Kraut exchange has been established, and preparations made to put up prices all around. This is in consequence of the recent movement in cabbage towards America. On the supposition that the drought has destroyed the cabbage crop in America, the price of sauerkraut has gone up materially in Berlin. It is said the dealers who started the corner are now awaiting "gigantic" orders for the article from America.

STANDING OF THE NEXT HOUSE.

Since the election in New York it has been claimed that there were 147 straight Republican members of the next house notwithstanding the defeat of Astor. The official list of members as made up by the officers of the House and of those who are entitled to draw pay only contains 146 straight Republicans, or one short of a majority over all. They are from the different states as follows:

California.....	2
Colorado.....	1
Connecticut.....	3
Illinois.....	13
Indiana.....	8
Iowa.....	9
Kansas.....	3
Kentucky.....	1
Louisiana.....	1
Maine.....	3
Maryland.....	1
Massachusetts.....	10
Michigan.....	9
Minnesota.....	3
Missouri.....	1
Nebraska.....	1
New Hampshire.....	4
New Jersey.....	4
New York.....	19
North Carolina.....	15
Ohio.....	1
Pennsylvania.....	18
Rhode Island.....	2
Tennessee.....	3
Vermont.....	3
Virginia.....	2
Wisconsin.....	6

This is the list of Republicans as they will be recognized at the organization of the House. There are 136 straight Democrats, 8 Greenbackers, 2 Readjusters, and 2 Independent Republican (Smyth of Brooklyn). It is almost certain that five of the Greenbackers, the two Readjusters and Smyth will vote with the Republicans, which will give them ten majority. The project of attempting a coalition between the Democrats and Greenbackers to secure an organization, seems to have been abandoned since Hewitt and several other Democrats declared they would not have anything to do with it.

HOLT COUNTY.

A special correspondent of the St. Joe Herald, at this place, has this to say regarding Holt county, which we reproduce for the benefit of our readers: "The late drought in western Kansas, taken in connection with local opposition in that state to its liquor laws, it seems, is destined to add in the near future, many thousands of population to the vast number of intelligent citizens, in our own grand commonwealth, Missouri."

"Holt county has received, during the last three months, more than one hundred families of these Kansans. They are possessed of property to the amount of from \$500 to \$2,000, and say they have come to stay—buying real estate to the amount of about half their means, say, all the way from a town lot to a quarter section of land. They are intelligent, industrious and Republican in politics, thus helping to build up and add to that grand power, in the future work of which every true Republican in Missouri is more or less interested—dislodging Democracy's supremacy of political power from all its Bourbon despotism—strongholds throughout our entire state."

"A considerable number of immigrants have also arrived here this fall from beyond the Mississippi, principally from Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. The character of all bona fide immigrants from these states are too well known to require mention here."

"Elias H. Penney, lately an extensive stock and land dealer in this county, died at his home a short time ago, of pneumonia fever; and it now occurs that an insurance policy in the New York Life, is found which he had taken out in 1872, for \$10,000. Receipts are found also for installments paid up to date. This seems to have all been entirely unknown to his family until his papers were overhauled by the administrators of his estate."

"Hon. E. O. Cowan, of this county, has lately bought a small herd of short horn cattle—43 head."

"The finishing touch is now being put upon our new court house, and indeed it is a fine building."

Sane, or insane, Guiteau is one whose execution is demanded, both on account of his crime and the influence of such salutary punishment on society. He certainly knows enough to discriminate between what is lawful and what is unlawful under human government. He knew that he was killing a fellow being; he knew that being James A. Garfield, President of the United States; he knew that such killing was murder, and that arrest and trial would follow. If he was mistaken about the effect of his act upon the country, that was an error of judgment, but not the blunder of insanity. All murders with malice aforethought may be set down as more or less tinged with insanity, but the gauge of responsibility is the faculty of understanding the nature of the crime, its legal consequences in a general way, and in being able to reflect and reason upon these facts. An idiot cannot be held responsible, and a maniac becomes in a sense idiotic when deprived of reasoning faculties to the extent of making him ignorant of what he does. But Guiteau falls under neither head. He knew and he acted, and it does not matter that his egotism partakes of delirium or insanity, so long as this power to discern between legal and illegal methods remains unimpaired. For this reason a verdict of insanity will be erroneous and to be deplored, and it is to be hoped will not be rendered. But whatever the verdict, it is certainly a duty that the government owes to itself, to see that the capital and the country is not disgraced by the assassination of a prisoner while a court of the United States is trying him for his life.

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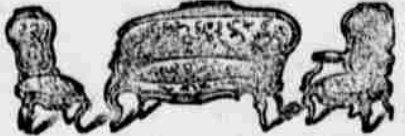
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OLD KITCAEN REVERIES.

Far back in my musings my thoughts have been cast To the cot where the hours of my childhood were passed; I loved all its rooms to the pants and hall; But that blessed old kitchen was dearer than all. Its chairs and its table none brighter could be. For all its surroundings were sacred to me—To the nail in the ceiling, the latch on the door And I love every crack on the old kitchen floor. I remember the fireplace with mouth high and wide, The old-fashioned oven that stood by its side, Out of which, each Thanksgiving, came puddings and pies; That fairly bewitched and dazzled my eyes. And then, too, St. Nicholas, stily and still, Came down every Christmas our stockings to fill; But the dearest of memories I've laid up in store, Is the mother that trod on that old kitchen floor. Day in and day out, from morning till night, Her footsteps were busy, her heart always light. For it seemed to me then, that she knew not a care, The smile was so gentle her face used to wear; I remember with pleasure what joy filled our eyes, When she told us the story that children so prize; They were new every night, though we'd heard them before. From her lips, at the wheel, on the old kitchen floor, To-night those old visions come back at their will, But the wheel and its music forever are still; The hand is moth eaten, the wheel laid away, And the fingers that turned it lie mould'ring in clay. The turnstone, so sacred, is just as 'twas then; And the voices of children ring out there again; The sun through the window looks in as of yore, But it sees strange feet on the old kitchen floor.

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A LESSON OF DUTY.

The death of the late President is a lesson for the study of every American. It is a problem, the solution of which will require the consideration of all the political institutions and their bearings upon the people. The question has its source behind the insane fool who made death the result of his action. We claim that this is a government of the people; and the influences must come from the people. Our leaders must of necessity represent the people in some condition, sane or insane. The freedom of speech and press makes the common people the source of public opinion. Our nation to-day is rank with official opposition, without the discrimination of sound judgment. The people have cause to complain; but unscrupulous leaders take them from the object of their contempt; and let their confused opposition fall upon the great and the good. Thought is universal; though secret, it has its peculiar laws of propagation; it has its seasons of maturity; and finds a congenial growth in sympathizing hearts: fruitful in the followers as they are formulated by the leaders. Then it must be true that we are rewarded with peace, prosperity and good government for our good and noble thoughts, and personally responsible for the results of our evil thinking. A silent revolution in the minds of men, will generate enough enthusiasm to create factitious proclaimers of this discord. The strong men of any opposition are determined upon destruction, while the weaker followers and leaders catch the magic spirit of evil and strike down the object which stand in opposition to their designs. The great men of this rebellion element destroy by averting power and influence, while the insane enthusiast accomplishes the same crime by physical annihilation.

KIRK LEITH.

CANINE SOLDIERS.

The Russian Government has decided to make dogs auxiliary to the army, as aids to scouts and sentries, and generally for the watch. The class of military dogs are described as keen of scent, and as giving warning of the enemy by a low growl without barking. Thus do military extremes meet; for it said that the American Indians trust the night watch of their camps wholly to their dogs, thus saving all the fatigue of sentinels.

In no service could well trained dogs be of more use than in our Indian country. Dogs could detect the Indian by the smell a great way off. Why not have a canine West Point? This, however, should not give them too much military education, for the General of the army says it makes them "take orders" and "maneuvering;" they do not have too much, but just enough.

It was they could be made useful aids to sentries, pickets and scouts, and they would be free from any jealousy. If too persistent in giving warning of the presence of the enemy, like some of the raw Brigadiers and Colonels to General Sherman at Shilo, he could muzzle them, as he bid the raw around. Let us have the canine army corps, although it will be in the canine military aristocracy, as Gen. Sherman says the better West Point pickets are in the army.

NATURE TO THE RESCUE.—A young man visits his sweetheart, and perceives that she is becoming pale, feeble, cross, fretful and unfit for anything. She can't eat a hearty meal, she can't sleep soundly, she can't laugh heartily, she has become melancholy and dull, she has complaints of headache, fluttering at the heart, etc. His visits soon become rare, for between poor girl and her lover there is a complaint; she grows down and sickly, and her cheeks grow pale and her eyes sink in their sockets; she is unable to attend to her household duties. The husband fails in his duty. There is a remedy for all cases similar to the above, which assists nature in toning and building up the feeble and flagging energies, it invigorates, adds life to the inert, brings to the intellect, gladdens the heart and restores women to strength, health and happiness. The remedy is known as English Female Bitters, which is making wonderful cures.

Mon law in Wisconsin, mob law in Ohio, and mob law threatened elsewhere.

This means simply that the people are not satisfied with the execution of the statute law.

Mr. Martin A. Connolly, a merchant in Oil City, Pa., writes: "I inherited ill health from my parents, who were both short-lived. My wife is a sickly little woman, and has suffered considerably. We have had five children, three of whom died in infancy; the other two, a boy 4 years of age and a girl of 7 years, have always been quite puny, weak, and sickly. Some time ago I read a medical work that spoke of iron as being essential to life, that a want of iron in the blood was the principal cause of ill health. Shortly afterward I saw an advertisement of Brown's Iron Bitters. I determined to try it for myself and family. The result has far exceeded my greatest anticipation. Myself, wife and children have all grown healthy and strong. Sores, aches and pains, headaches, indigestion, and sleeplessness, formerly so common in my family, trouble us no more. Every bottle worth its weight in gold."

POSTMASTER-GENERAL JAMES expresses in his annual report decided conviction that letter postage ought to be reduced from 3 to 2 cents per half ounce, and that the fee for small money orders should be cut down one-half. In these two reforms, as well as in the prosecution of the star-route thieves, the public is with him.

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